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MAIL STOP MISSING PARTS

Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In response to the communication dated November 5, 2003 (copy enclosed), Applicant submits herewith a Sequence Listing in computer readable form as required by 37 CFR §1.824. In addition, Applicant submits an initial Sequence Listing as required under 37 CFR §1.823(a) and a statement under 37 CFR §1.821(f).

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the paper copy and computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing filed herewith for the instant application. Furthermore, Applicant requests entry of the following amendments.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY FIRST CLASS MAIL

I hereby certify under 37 CFR §1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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